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MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Bald Belfry Timber Sale, App. No. 85037 and Forest Practice Application No. 2810971. Even-aged harvest of 2,614 MBF of timber from 80.3 acres and uneven-aged harvest of 107 MBF of timber from 23 acres for a total harvest of 2,721 MBF from 103.3 (103) acres. Proposal includes 3,234 feet of road construction, 893 feet of road reconstruction, up to 2,467 feet of temporary road construction to be abandoned if built.

Description of mitigation: See attached sheet.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources.

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: <u>Sections 3 and 4 of Township 33 North,</u> Range 6 East, W.M. Proposal is located 26 miles northeast of Arlington, in Skagit County, off of S. R. 9, Finn Settlement-Grandstrom Road, Lake Cavanaugh Road, and BR-ML forest road.

Lead agency: <u>Department of Natural Resources</u>.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

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This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from February 1,2010. Comments must be submitted by February 1,2010.
Responsible official: William J. Wallace
Position/title: Northwest Region Manager Phone: 360-856-3500
Address: 919 North Township Street, Sedro-Woolley, WA 98284
Date: Signature:
There is no agency SEPA appeal.

MITIGATED MEASURES

Bald Belfry Timber Sale, App. No. 85037

Streams:

2 type 3 stream with a 152-foot, no-harvest buffer.

8 type 4 streams with a 100-foot, no-harvest buffer.

Slope Stability:

Potentially unstable areas were bounded out of this proposal, including some within stream buffers.

Roads:

Exposed soils on cut and fill slopes will be revegetated to lessen sediment impact to streams. 2,467 feet of road will be abandoned after completion of use, if built.

Green tree retention and wildlife:

656 trees have been designated to be left uncut on this proposal. This represents an average of eight of the existing trees per acre. Trees are both scattered and clumped throughout the proposed harvest area. Clumps of leave trees were placed around remnant redcedar snags.

Logging methods:

Proposal will be yarded by cable and ground-based systems. Leading end of logs will be suspended during yarding.